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## 13 MBA BOYS ANNOUNCED MERIT SEMI-FINALISTS

This year, as in years of the past, MBA produced a great number of National Merit Scholarship semi-finalists. This award is given to students who have scored well on the qualifying test. **The Bell Ringer** hopes that all the semi-finalists will advance to become finalists and winners. The semi-finalists are Walter Campbell, who is in the Big Red Club, and on the Business Staff of the paper. Walter is widely known for his athletic ability, which he has shown in four years of general athletics.

Bob Murphy, who serves as the President of the student body, editor of the annual, and a cheerleader.

Wade Sutton, co-editor of **The Bell Ringer**, a varsity football player, and leader of the Meteor Band.

Ben Mabry, also co-editor of the paper, Vice-President of the student body, and a member of the National Honor Society.

Larry Schull, who has won seven academic awards and was first in the state French contest.

Tom Harris, who is copy editor of the newspaper and head trainer of the football team.

Philip Jones, who is an Eagle Scout, manager of the baseball team, and winner of the Chemistry and Math IV medals.

Mark Shepard, who can often be seen working in the library or chemistry lab. He is also active in the scouts.

Walter Marianelli, who is a recipient of the NEDT award. Walter is best known for his capitalistic endeavors at the Jim Dandy Market.

Gep Nelson, who is president of the Honor Council, Secretary of the Service Club, and a member of the tennis team.

Dick Collins, a member of the Forensic Club, winner of an APSL award, and the outstanding junior.

West Crafton, on the business staff of the paper, is a member of the MYF at Belle Meade Methodist Church and the recipient of an APSL Maxima Cum Laude.

Jamie Stiffer, in the chorus, is an Eagle Scout. Jamie can also be seen running the MBA cross country track.

In addition to these thirteen winners, three boys received Letters of Commendation. They are John Cheadle, Bill Oelrich and Chris Berry.



## WELCOME, MR. EDSON

Mr. G. G. Edson is one of the new faces on the MBA campus. A native of Washington, D.C., he received his high school education at St. Albans, a school quite similar to MBA. He continued his education at the University of the South. While at the University of the South, he was elected president of his fraternity, ATO, and was a member of the Phi Beta Kappa honor fraternity. Mr. Edson received his Masters in Education at Harvard University.

Mr. Edson began his teaching career at Avon School in Connecticut. His teaching career was interrupted by 3½ years in the Navy. He then taught at Columbia Military Academy. After a year at C.M.A. he went to Gilman School in Baltimore, Mary-

land. While at Gilman, Mr. Edson met Mr. Carter, who was then serving as Athletic Director. Then in 1962, after 15 years at Gilman, he became headmaster of Columbia Military Academy, where he taught for eight years.

Mr. Edson's favorite pastime during his earlier years was mountain climbing in the Adirondack Mts. He also enjoys boating, especially sailing. He is presently coaching the tennis squad. When asked to give his impression of MBA, Mr. Edson said that he likes MBA's tradition of the gentleman-scholar-athlete. He said that "everything in the school points to the top-notch." Mr. Edson had known previously about MBA through its reputation. He sincerely believes that

honesty and hard work are extremely necessary in preparation for college.

When asked about the difference between MBA and a military school, he remarked that MBA offers a student much more freedom. At Columbia Military Academy, a student is required to be in proper uniform, to be in formations at a specific time, and to keep shoes and brass well polished.

When asked about the advantages of co-education, which incidentally was recently established at Columbia Military Academy, he says that "co-education is fine for many high schools and colleges." However, he feels that co-education should not be implemented at MBA. He states that the main advantage of co-education is that it creates a more normal relationship between boys and girls. Its main disadvantage is that it offers more distractions. Mr. Edson feels that MBA ought to keep its tradition, at least for awhile.

When asked his opinion on long hair, he professed that long hair makes "some difference but it is not of paramount importance." He feels that relatively long hair, when kept neat is acceptable. He does not like the "baboon look."

Mr. Edson believes that students should be involved in the affairs of the school as much as possible. He thinks that the students should be consulted and informed and should have their advice listened to. He is very much in favor of our student government, Honor Council, and boys in the library.

Mr. Edson, with his long experience in teaching and administration, will be a great asset to MBA this year and hopefully for many years to come.

## Fall Assemblies

MBA assemblies followed tradition this year in that our first speaker was the Reverend Wayne Bell of Vine Street Christian Church. Reverend Bell spoke to us on the importance of forming the correct values with which to begin the school day and closed with an appropriate prayer.

Soon after, we were visited by the director of Nashville's Junior Achievement program, who emphasized the MBA tradition of leadership in Junior Achievement and urged our participation.

We were fortunate again this year to have as our speaker, the Reverend Robert H. Spain, pastor of Belle Meade Methodist Church. Reverend Spain has established over past years a record of fine speeches to the MBA student body. Reverend Spain spoke about empty lives and the necessity of purpose in life to make it meaningful.

More recently Dr. Gabheart, graduate of Carson-Newman College, President of Belmont College, and longtime friend of MBA, visited the Hill to speak to us not on preparation for college, or on Belmont College in particular, but simply on life and his attitude toward it. Mr. Gabheart believes that life is an adventure and that "the study of human beings is the most interesting thing in the world." He closed by urging us to be grateful for our blessings, to try to locate the good in every man, and to become involved with Christ and in Christianity.

On Tuesday, October 7, Mrs. Al

Bennyworth, a graduate of Vanderbilt and currently a law student there, spoke to us about the Metro Youth Guidance Council, a feature of the Metro Police Department, of which he is a member. Mr. Bennyworth is known to MBA through his brothers David, a graduate of the class of '70, and Charles, a freshman, and through a few MBA students with whom he may have dealt professionally. The Youth Guidance Council's purpose is to reduce the quantity of crime committed by minors (fully half of the total), through enforcement and preventative measures. In a low-key speech, Mr. Bennyworth suggested that prevention of crimes by an attitude of responsible action is the key to stemming increasing youth crime rates. He also emphasized that it is the individual's duty to cultivate this responsibility within himself.

However, the speech most relevant to us at MBA was perhaps that delivered by Mr. Carter on Monday morning, September 20. In this short address Mr. Carter echoed the sentiment, expressed by Billy Frist in the 1970 **Bell**, that "MBA is on a hill." This statement indicates that MBA is special because of its tradition of pride in achievement. This pride is the basis for scrutiny of incoming freshmen concerning their desire to abide by the rules of MBA, and for the presence of these rules in appearance and conduct.



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## WELL, UH

In this first edition of the **Bell Ringer**, the editors hope to present a journal which echoes a purpose. The purpose of our paper is based on an idea presented by Juvenal in his *Satires* and taken by the English journalist Richard Steele as a motto for an essay in the *Tatler*:

*Quicquid agunt homines—  
nostri est farrago libelli.*

This motto, translated into ornamented English verse by Alexander Pope reads:

Whatever men do, or say,  
or think, or dream, our motley  
paper seizes as its theme.

The editors would magnify the sphere of interest to include particularly the men concerned with the life of MBA. In addition, we wish to follow the purpose of the *Spectator*, the newspaper edited by both Richard Steele and Joseph Addison; like these two English journalists, the two co-editors of the **Bell Ringer** desire in writing "to enliven morality with wit, and to temper wit with morality."

Our motto having been assimilated, the editors were faced with the task of conveying the ideas

through editing and writing. The life at MBA will be covered by many of the same methods which have been used previously in the paper. We shall have news of teachers, speakers, personalities, and events in the school with feature and news articles. We shall present opinions of students in editorials and feelings of students in creative poetry and prose. There will be an increased attention on the creative writing section over the attention given to the area in the past few years; there is perhaps a more active creative writing staff this year than there has been since the seniors have been at MBA. The interest of some of these staff members in the area of creative writing was assembled and translated into action by Mr. Nelson's creative writing program of two years ago; some of the credit for this organization, therefore, goes to the formation of that one.

The editors, however, desire to express their concern over the possible results of their efforts: echoing the words of the immortal Bella Lugosi, "We know not what monster we may create."

Ben Mabry

## Slash Toothless

Who did strike out the light?  
Wasn't not the way?

There's but one down: the son is fled.

We have lost best half of our affair.

Well, let's away, and say how much is done.

*Macbeth; Act III, Scene III*

The senior news feature, "Slash Painless," has been the party to several close shaves, and had to be cut from this issue. One basic principle of good taste is: "If you can't say nothing nice, don't say nothing at all" ("Thumper" in *Bambi*). Heedless of this warning, "Slash Painless" was prepared for this issue with the zeal of a voodoo witch doctor with a doll and a box of pins. After a mild reproach from our faculty advisors, the editors realized we could never print such a pointless article. Having failed to include senior news, however, we would be cheating the senior

## CLASS NEWS SLASH PAINLESS

class, and thus estranging our most influential and magnificent readers. Therefore, we will attempt to stall for time with an editorial-expose-news feature dealing with the behind-the-scenes production of slash painless.

First, we take simple facts: (1) Harold Crump is Fire Marshal; (2) Ed Pirtle is Parking Commissioner; (3) Bob Murphy is head of the "MBA Gourmet Cafeteria Committee"; and (4) Tad McWhirter has taken a poll, the "Tad Poll." Second, we make shrewd insights into the characters of these office holders, namely: (1) Crump is a card-carrying Communist; (2) Pirtle is an ex-con car stripper; (3) Murphy really has ptomaine poisoning; and (4) McWhirter is trying to ingratiate himself to the "big wheels" by rigging it so that they win the "Tad Poll."

Based on these shrewd but little-known facts, we produce immundos which seem petty on surface, but yield invaluable information upon closer scrutiny. Observe: (1) Crump—"All I have to do is set the school on fire and I'll be in command!" (2) Pirtle—"I can get a real good deal on tape players but the selection is kind of limited." (3) Murphy—"Mr. Carter, those Hungarian 'beef surprises' have got to go." (4) McWhirter—"I can't help it if all those guys are my close friends."

As you can see, this process might work in the junior school, but it leaves room for improvement in the Senior News. As you also might notice, this paper finds no difficulty in complimentary articles ("The Belle," "Feature Teacher," "Senior Personalities," and our Lushion feature), but when it comes to satire and sarcasm we are completely inexperienced. Stay tuned for next issue, when we hope "Slash Painless" and possibly "Bell Witch" will return.

Wade Sutton

## Tenth Grade News

This year the sophomore class started off on the right foot, and forgot about the left one, when we elected our present class officers. Frank Garrison is our president, and Dick Klausner is our vice-president. The secretary is Bill Orand, and our treasurer is Bill Wade. Our Honor Council representatives again for the second time are Tim Vaughn and Brook Baker. But our class is led also by such individuals as Mark Parsons and Doug Falcas, sometimes called the "Dynamic Duo."

The sophomore class is making great progress. Dick Klausner is learning to write cursive, and it looks as if Bill Harbison may finally make the privilege list. Tragically struck, though, when Dudley Creighton cut off his beautiful, long locks in the line of duty.

Although our class is relatively small, it is filled with many scholars, saying some most intelligent things. Some things being:

Klausner: "How do you make a K?"

Creighton: "A 47 huh????"

D. Matthews: "If Mr. Rogers were here..."

Parsons: "Come on, Doug!!!"

## Freshman News

First of all, I would like to say that this year's freshman class is composed of eighty-eight boys, sixty-six of whom play freshman football. On a cool Friday, September 25th afternoon, the Frosh football team had hopes of victory and they were fired up for a hot game, but so was Washington Junior High. Our frosh team was wiped out 24 to 0. Then on October 2, the MBA freshmen came back on the field to face McMurray Junior High. The Falcons beat us 30 to 0. Under the

coaching staff of Mr. Bennett, Mr. Drake, and Hunter Atkins, the 1970 freshman team looks forward to the up-coming games with a great deal of enthusiasm.

As we took our place in high school, we learned that we are not exactly what you call Latin scholars, great botanists, or boys who do not procrastinate but with guys like David Oates and Allen Ziehr, we can do anything. With that note, I leave you until you read another thrilling saga of the freshman class in the next issue.

Donny Dubuisson



One of the main items with which an MBA senior is concerned is where to go to college. In the following paragraphs, there should be some helpful information as to what to take and what not to take to college.

For your first necessities, a small stapler with the letters **MBA** engraved upon it, a box of paper clips, a regulation zipper notebook, and two file cabinets of English notes for the first freshman English Class should be taken. Also hire at least one secretary to organize this mess for home study use. Next, be sure to bring a straight jacket or a pair of handcuffs for your first day in a class with girls in it. Have your hair cut short before you leave for college, because there is enough there to go around for everybody. Besides, you might wind up dating another boy if you're not careful. Wear a coat and tie the first day of classes. Remember, you are an individual! Practice your Rebel yell for when you need to go to the B Room. Do not forget your artificial respirator in case you sit behind two girls. Bring a wood-burning set so you can inscribe a picture of Mrs. Lowry on your desk. Also, you should bring a flame thrower, so that you can light the teacher's cigarette from a distance.

Be sure to bring a brick from Virginia, which you can get from the library, so that you can open the back windows without even getting up from your front row seat. Try to remember the number of your MBA T-shirt, so that you can get the same number at college. This is a psychological advantage when you play touch football with the other guys in G.A. at college. They'll know you're experienced and maybe even let you be first captain, first choose. Take a tape recording of your favorite female sex queen in action so that you can turn up the volume, pretend, and really make your friends envious. This will cover up the fact that you really don't have a date. Status! Take two wads of cotton for your nose and goggles to protect your eyes from the National Guard. Buy a racoon coat, a helicopter beanie and a pennant saying "Go School" to take to football games. Finally, bring your senior MBA yearbook so that people can see what you looked like with a haircut and also see what you looked like before you got your face smashed in by the big guy at the football game who got mad when the helicopter from your beanie went off in his face.

Harold Crump  
Elvis McWhirter



"Serve yow?" these young ladies asked at Homecoming, at which they were nice enough to serve as waitresses.



## Varsity Football

What motivates the M.B.A. student to try out for the varsity football team knowing all the sacrifices that this activity involves? It is not for the love of praise or the spotlight that the football player cuts a month of his summer vacation and goes to football practice twice a day in 95-degree heat and 94% humidity.

More than any other athletic endeavor, football is a team effort, for there can never be stars without the unity of the team. But M.B.A. football is unique in its own right because of a coaching staff that gives tremendous motivation to each player. Each coach is admired by all the players as an individual who offers the experience of manhood. Coach Morel was popular the instant he walked onto the Hill, because of the overflow of enthusiasm he offers on the field to each player. Coach Ridgeway is revered by the players because he not only can instill pride in his boys, but also knows the value of laughter in developing team spirit and is always ready to put some humor on the field. Coach Owen is known for his love of working with young men and for the pride that he instills in his students. Coach Owen is remarkable in the fact that he has found the proper mixture of discipline and understanding, and this fact classifies Coach Owen as an outstanding man.

A team is only as good as the players of which it is composed. The M.B.A. team is characterized by pride in the team and pride in each individual. On our team an understanding among the players exists, each player knowing the physical and mental struggle the other players are enduring in practice and in games.

What motivates the M.B.A. student to play varsity football? The knowledge that the boy will take a great stride toward manhood through the experiences on the field and the association of all the individuals that are involved with the sport.

## 8th Grade News

Well, since I'm new, I guess I'll start with a few lines on the junior school's football teams. The Microbes played a good game at Grassland, but lost, 20-6. Tuesday, the Microbes beat the B team frosh, 20-0. We wish the microbes luck against the Franklin team. They'll need it. (Editor's note: M.B.A. won 18-0.)

As for the seventh grade, we play Thursday against Ensworth. We look better every day as we prepare for Ensworth. Pat Collins will start at QB for us. We expect to win.

The dope on in-class happenings: Demerits! Our rate dropped slightly this week. If you hate demerits, welcome to the club.

### Everett Holzapfel

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## Junior Boys Froshball!

As usual there is no new news, just old news. We dread the spaghetti supper, ticket selling, and losing to the seniors. We have nothing to look forward to except College Boards, achievement tests, and other joys, unless the class of '72 has a party. We have been handed several suggestions. David Hibbets wants a stag combo at Jerry Brannon's house. Rees suggests a Benson stag flit at Andrew's flat. But as it now stands we will have a grudge bowl game on New Year's Eve at Reno's.

The authors of this column would like to prepare you for the future appearance of another article in this paper, the Dear Elmer column. As you all know, Elmer was once a very poor, shy, self-conscious half-wit who was scared to look at people, much less to talk to them. However, we (being extremely altruistic benefactors of the needy) decided to help Elmer out. Look at him now. The Elmer of today is an easy-going, boisterous, happy half-wit. This later characterization is due to the fact that every once in a while Elmer tries to write something on his own. It is for this reason that we applaud the true Elmer, that dirty, rotten, half-wit.

If nothing else, this column hopes that we can serve as a class forum. For any news, social functions, hates, or gripes you desire published contact Zemo.

Solocan Zemo

We all do!

No big news in class officers as only two classes have elected them. They are:

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President: Moe Hill  
Vice President: Phil Ownby  
Secretary: Dennis Spain

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President: Dan Earthman  
Vice Pres.: Robbie Pickens  
Secretary: Bill Scanlan

Time to sign off. See ya next issue!

EDDIE COOPER

## JV Football

On September 24 the J.V. opened its season at Antioch. Because of a fine defensive effort, M.B.A. led until midway in the fourth quarter. Tom Delveaux's pass interception went 33 yards for a touchdown. Dick Klausner's 2-point conversion run made the score 8-0. A long punt return by Antioch cut M.B.A.'s lead to two points at 8-6. An Antioch player then scooped up an onside kick and raced to the M.B.A. 20-yard line. The Bears scored a few plays later to win 12-8. Outstanding players for M.B.A. were Clay Jackson, Brock Baker, and Tom Delveaux.

A week later on October 1, the J.V. travelled to Franklin for what, at first, seemed to be a stalemate. However, once again bad luck plagued the team when a Franklin interception led to a touchdown, giving them a 6-0 halftime lead. Despite a second-half comeback highlighted by Thany Mann's 8-yard touchdown run, Franklin was still able to go on to win 18-3. Fine performances for M.B.A. were turned in by Phil Lee and Chris McClure.

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## Cross Country

### STIFLER PACES BIG RED WINS

The Big Red varsity cross-country team has been victorious in its last three meets after losing its first two. The Big Red was defeated at Clarksville, 19-42, in spite of a fine third place finish by veteran Jamie Stifler. We were defeated again on Franklin's course by a score of 23-32. Jamie Stifler and Frank Purdy finished well in the top five, Stifler setting a new school record of 10:29 over the two-mile course.

The Big Red, rallied by Roger Jewell's first appearance in a meet, defeated Antioch at home, 26-29, with Stifler winning in 10:40 and Clay Stephens, Jewell, Purdy, and Al Marsh finishing third, fifth, seventh, and tenth respectively.

Spurred by great student support, we soundly outdistanced Hillwood by a score of 17-38. Jamie Stifler led Jewell and Stephens across the finish line as we copped the first three places, and then Purdy and Marsh came across fifth and sixth.

Saturday, October 3, was a day for Jamie Stifler, Frank Purdy, and Dan Mann. The team travelled to St. Andrews in Montague, where these three seniors helped avenge a defeat they had suffered there as freshmen. M.B.A. won, 26-29, with Stifler outdistancing the field, and Stephens finishing third.

Jamie Stifler will lead the team against at least 29 other teams in the Two Rivers Invitational on October 10. He will be aided by veterans Clay Stephens, Frank Purdy, Al Marsh, and first-year man Roger Jewell.

While the first five men are set, there are still many others vying for our sixth and seventh spots in the Two Rivers Invitational. John Van Volkenburgh and Walter Diehl are injured but will hopefully be recovered in time for the meet. Brock Stevenson is leading the competition for our sixth spot, against Dan Mann, Tommy Parrish, Bill Shell, Ken Grissom, and Jim Cannon.

Clay Stephens

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## Personalities

The personalities whom the editors of the *Bell Ringer* have chosen for this issue of the paper are the illustrious Bob Murphy and Gep Nelson. These two persons show uniqueness in their personal qualities and achievements, as well as in their valuable functions in the workings of MBA life.

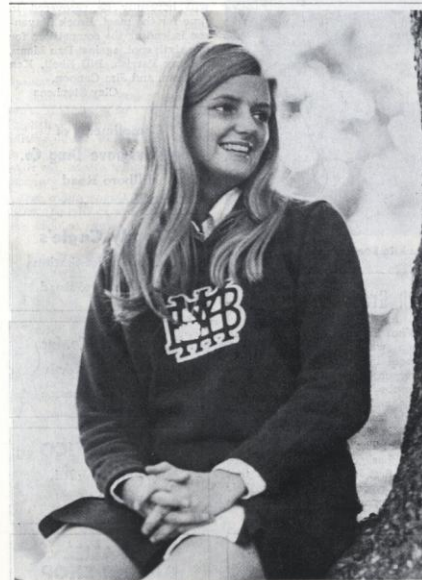
Three-way president of the senior class, student body, and student council, Bob Murphy finds time to rule over the students and to explain to them that school life and society need a mixture of freedom and responsibility. Bob's leadership in school instills confidence and cohesion in the student body because he has both a sense of humor and a sense of leadership; he has a special ability to get along with people. Adding to his tasks of leadership are his posts as editor of the *Bell*, as cheerleader, and as spokesman for the "Gourmet Cafeteria Committee." Bob appears to be doing an adequate

job in his position on the lunch committee; at least there have been no armed insurrections or hamburger hijackings this year. The Microbe football team has the distinct honor of having Bob as one of their coaches and heroes.

These activities of school life are but part of what constitutes Bob Murphy. Bob, as a member of Delta Sigma Fraternity, was named best pledge and now serves as plegemaster. He spends his spare time taking instruction in the art of karate and devoting himself to musical interests: he plays drums for the informal Meteor Band and is a serious student of American Blues. Bob may be seen wearing "soul" clothes or out living in his VW. He is quite outgoing and active at social and school functions and in informal gatherings.

Gep Nelson's position and personality are complimentary to those of Bob. Whereas Bob is president of the student council, Gep is president of the honor council. Gep is also secretary of the service club, news editor of this paper, and an important member of MBA's tennis team. He is a National Merit semifinalist, as is Bob.

Gep Nelson's personality is generally thought of as quiet and restrained, but beneath his outward appearance is a basis of imagination, a sense of humor, and a true ability to have a good time. Also a member of Delta Sigma, Gep may be seen enjoying a social function, or he may be seen talking to cousin Jimbo McKee or close friend Jon Foley. Gep's attitude and mien inspire confidence; it is comforting to know that cases brought before the Honor Council will not be publicized unnecessarily. Gep would not be one to blab. Finally, Gep is able to get along well with almost anyone. This quality of relating well to other people is what makes both Gep and Bob outstanding leaders in the school.



## THE BELLE

The night was black; the wind blew delicately; the moon poured forth streams of misty whiteness. There she was, sitting comfortably on her porch, her long blonde tresses flowing upon her silky shoulders. Her visage, gently mounted on her goddess-

like neck, outlined her statuesque form.

On a more mundane level: Linda—captain of the cheerleaders, student council treasurer, S.C.A. Teen Board Representative, a member of the Science Club, French Club, Glee Club,

## Creative Writing

### 12th Year At Hard Labor

Notes on my 12th Year at Hard Labor

And once again, it's that time folks. Time to have no time. For Heaven's sake, I wish I could be free just a little longer. Everyone is trying to put me in a cage for just a moment. How I long to rendez-vous with you at the killing floor. For I feel like ebb tide in the middle of the Sahara Desert. The visions of the past have a strong grip.

Sitting out in the Sahara, waiting to see her again I wonder how funny it could seem to the sand beneath me. That I feel like ebb tide, in a place where water doesn't exist. And I feel I could now speak with monkeys about everything. Indeed, this is my confession to the monkeys of the Desert.

I can see a far-off cactus, crowned by a yellow flower. Although I have been sightless for a full 17 years now. And dead for three. Neck-deep in surging currents, I sometimes have trouble. Usually it occurs when I try to take a breath. Although it has happened at much more embarrassing moments. But swimming at the Sahara Swim Club has its rewards. And most of my friends are members here. It's a lovely place, six by three by two, and solid pine. With a breath-taking view over the water.

### Rock Festival

rock festival, in heat and August, where we saw ourselves in different styles, reflections where all things fled, away to hide in our sameness. Where can fear be, in life? no way for us to shape ourselves with hate clap hands while standing on benches

and Sedality, ardent worker at Central State and Clover Bottom hospitals, and full time nurse to a fourteen year-old dog, deaf because of a cherry-bomb explosion in its tender young ears.

Now to the more important side of her personality: 5-feet, 5-inches tall, blond hair and green eyes. Linda spends most of her time eating, modeling, and going to exciting and different places such as picnics, movies, church, and e o m b o s (exciting? different?) preferably with MBA boys, who she feels are "just outstanding . . . They all seem to be so intelligent."

Of major concern to our student body, the qualities Linda prefers in boys are sincerity, intelligence, and personality. However, Linda likes mistreatment. In her own words: "I don't like boys to be overly nice to me; they should be the bosses." Going steady is not for Linda. "I've never found anyone that I could date all the time."

For Linda, the future holds a college education at the University of Kentucky, Texas Christian University, or Southern Methodist University, and hopefully a nursing degree which she would like ultimately to connect with social and psychiatric work.

Truly an outstanding person and integral part of MBA, the *Bell Ringer* salutes Linda Leinart.

## New Light On Lushion

It is an unexpected fact that mild-mannered Lushion Williams, so often seen cutting the grass or serving lunch, fought for three years in the South Pacific in World War II. After finishing basic training in Ozark, Alabama, Lushion joined the 903rd Air Base Security Battalion, which was akin to the Military Police; the battalion was to take over all aspects of the running of an airfield.

First Lushion and his group were shipped to the airfield in the Fiji Islands, which was a large base acting as a major depot for the South Pacific. Next Lushion went to the airfield on the New Hebrides, near the area where the Army sent their leprosy victims to die a painful but unavoidable death.

Lushion and his group gladly left the Hebrides for the air base at Guadalcanal. Lushion arrived in the midst of hard fighting and heavy bombing, necessary to dislodge the well dug-in Japs. As the American forces came steadily closer to ultimate victory, Lushion moved again; his next post was Mondur in the New Georgia Islands, near Bougainville. Each day five hundred



planes took off from the Mondur airfield. From Mondur, Lushion finally went to New Guinea, where for three months, from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. each day, he and his fellow soldiers were bombed by the Japanese. "We had to stand up, sleep in foxholes, for three months. We didn't even touch a bed for three months."

All these arduous and necessary deeds were quietly and efficiently carried out by Lushion. He refused to glorify anything, saying that he had only done his job; however, Lushion was awarded three battle stars and was promoted to the rank of corporal, after he had twice turned the promotion down.

Many graduates and several teachers from MBA have made valuable contributions to America's war efforts. Yet Lushion has never mentioned his career to the students. Now it is easier to understand why Lushion is so likeable and respected; indeed, Lushion Williams is a hero on and off campus.

## The End

Psychotics run rampant in the streets  
The reds in our churches  
The blacks in our way  
The simple lives of unadorned  
God myths

The simple way—absolutism

White kid gloves, pure abstractions that can decide  
Hemingway codes and ten commandments, all the same  
I am, I feel, I know, the way to right  
Futility hides in alleys, horse-drawn country roads  
Spring days, the only fathers day remembered:  
He was out of town  
All this brings me down  
To some point, a roost to observe from.  
O my Lord, I ended that sentence with a preposition!

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